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A Few Good Candidates Presenting the New Student Congress Candidates

The petition signatures were confirmed and class status and grades verified, on Tuesday, April 9. Each of the candidates has collected 20 signatures from full-time, undergraduate students at the University of Bridgeport in accordance with the constraints for the office for which they are running; they have met minimum QPR requirements and they are now ready to start their election campaigns which will end at 12 midnight on April 22. The elections are taking place on April 23 and 24, and the results will be announced at 9:30 am on April 26 in the Student Center. *The Scribe* presents the four candidates for the new Student Congress President position.



Name: Frank Ajisegbe
Place of Birth: Republic of Benin
Major: Mass Communications
Class: Junior

Extracurricular Activities:
RHA President,
The Scribe Staff Member,
UBlympics Organizer

Why Students Should Vote for Me:

I have been involved in leadership activities since I first came here in 1994. I speak my mind out without fear and I speak on behalf of the students. I want to bring students together under the new Student Congress to make sure that students receive fair representation.



Name: Melissa D. Glenn
Place of Birth: Woodstock, IL
Major: Marketing
Class: Senior

Extracurricular Activities:
Member of the women's soccer team,
member of the athletic committee

Why Students Should Vote for Me:

I am running, so that the students will have a voice. I believe that the students need to be informed about what is going on at the university and should take part in the decision making. I also want to see more activities on campus, and with my connections, responsibility and enthusiasm, I know I can make it work.



Name: Markus A. Nottelmann
Place of Birth: Munich, Germany
Major: Business Administration
Class: Senior

Extracurricular Activities:
The Scribe Business Manager,
Treasurer for WUBN,
President of Business Student Council,
President of CARP

Why Students Should Vote for Me:

Student Congress needs representatives who put students' interests before party politics. I'd like to see a Student Congress that doesn't bicker about small issues, and that looks at how we can really make UB a better place!



Name: Artur W. Wroblewski
Place of Birth: Torun, Poland
Major: Social Science
Class: Senior

Extracurricular Activities:

Tutors fellow students, plays soccer.

Why Students Should Vote for Me:

I think I could help UB to attain the flavor of a truly outstanding place. I have some ideas. However, they are still in statu nascendi. They are waiting to be reviewed gradually in the course of the campaign. UB is a place of great experiment. Therefore, I would find it an unique experience to be an immediate part of this experiment as the President of Student Congress.

Candidates for other positions in Student Congress are:

Christiana Atta, Anuj Shroff and Svetlana Yordanova for Vice President;
Toyohiro Miyata and Ivan Barbalic for Speaker of the House;
Aluko Oluola and Aleksandra Simic for School of Business Senator;
Ragyendra Raj Sharma and Xiling Zhou for School of Business Co-Senator;
Melissa Cehajic and Katsushi Morishita for School of Humanities, Social Science and Design Senator;
Denise Ruiz for School of Humanities, Social Science and Design Co-Senator;
Ian Banner for School of Education and Human Resources Senator;
Dejan Knezevic and Pradeep Paudyal for School of Science, Engineering and Technology Senator;
Venu G. Kode for School of Science, Engineering and Technology Co-Senator;
Monalisa Basu and Tara Borgstrom for Senior Class President;
Johan Oberg for Senior Class Vice-President;
Anusha Srinivasan for Junior Class President;
Gianesh Srivats for Sophomore Class President;
Lee Marrero for Sophomore Class Vice-President;
Susumu Kotegawa for Commuter Student Association;
Owolabi Oluwadara and Edin Vzicanin for Resident Hall Association President.

UB Student Receives Honors

by Anuj Shroff

A UB student was recently declared a top winner in a regional economic research paper contest. Monalisa Basu, a junior majoring in International Business and Finance, was announced as the joint first place winner of the Gregory Zec Contest for 1996 along with a student from Fairfield University.

Sponsored by the Southern Connecticut Business Economist, the Gregory Zec Contest takes its name after a distinguished economist of Fairfield county and a founding father of the organization. During spring every year, the contest invites the regional colleges and universities to submit papers on the subject of economics and finance. This year as many as five colleges and universities from the region — University of Connecticut, Fairfield University, Southern Connecticut State University, Iona College and

University of Bridgeport participated in the contest. Along with Basu, three other students were selected from Professor of Economics, Dr. Llewellyn Mullings' class last semester to participate in the contest.

In what Dr. Mullings, who is also the Vice President of the Southern Connecticut Business Economist, describes as a "difficult choice for the award selection committee," Basu's paper on human development was judged joint best among a myriad of other "very good papers."

Students from his class have participated in the contest over the past twenty years and have won the first three positions several times — a fact Dr. Mullings attributes to the quality of education that UB provides. Last year a student from his class won the second prize in the same contest. It has been a few years since a student from UB has won the first prize. Proud of



Monalisa Basu

Basu's achievement, Dr. Mullings describes her as a "dynamic and brilliant student with a scintillating QPR."

Basu's distinguished endeavor, has not only won her a cash award of \$300, but also carries a one year free membership to the Southern Connecticut Business Economist. When approached to comment on her achievement, Basu said, "it was very unexpected. I feel happy." Accolades for Basu, however, do not end here. A presentation will be made to Basu at the Business School's honor convocation next month.

News

Economics — The Politics of Choice UB Alumnus Delivers Lecture

by Monalisa Basu

*He was the Director of the Peace Corps under
Nixon and Ford*

He was the Labor Chairman under Reagan

He was the labor leader under Bush

He served under Clinton

He is a UB alumnus

Dr. Michael P. Balzano, Jr. graduated from the University of Bridgeport in 1966 with a B.A. in History (magna cum laude), and received his Ph.D. (with distinction) from Georgetown University in Washington D.C. At present he is the President of Balzano Associates Inc., a Virginia based corporation specializing in designing vehicles of communication to reach various segments of the nation's workforce, such as traditional workers in the basic industries as well as high-tech and aerospace workers in the futuristic industries.

On Tuesday, April 2, 1996, Dr. Balzano returned to the UB campus to give

the students a taste of what politics in the real world is all about, as well as the economic implications of all public policies. Referring to himself as "an economic conservative and a social moderate" who, in his own words, "got into the Nixon administration by fluke," Dr. Balzano spoke at length about the ever ensuing battle between the entitlement side and the investment side of government expenditure. According to him, collision between the entitlement side and the investment leads to the battle between liberals, who support the social side (entitlements), and conservatives who support the investment side. The battleground, he claimed, starts with the federal budget. Such decision making underlines the importance of the economics of political decisions. "I really believe that in educational institutions, political theory and economics should be taught together," Dr. Balzano asserted.

A great supporter of the space industry, Dr. Balzano stated "many of you are not going to have a job if the industry (space) falls apart." In this respect he also specified the importance of focusing education toward the area in which jobs are available, particularly the high-tech industry which is the way of the future. His lecture included the battle over Super Sonic transport, the maritime industry and the debate it created, as well as various aspects of taxes (including the tax bill). Dr. Balzano concluded his talk with a very important message — "Democracy requires participation, and the price of not participating is to be ruled by people less capable than



Dr. Michael P. Balzano, Jr.

oneself."

At the end of his session, Dr. Balzano spoke about his years at the University which he fondly remembers as "his home." Speaking about his Alma Mater, he claimed to have received an excellent comprehensive education. He told the students that "The education you are getting here is up to par with that of Yale or Oxford."

The lecture was very well attended. The room was packed with 85 people including students, faculty and administrators. According to Dr. Mullings, the organizer of the lecture, "it was a scintillating exercise in bringing together theory and practice from an authority, a truly distinguished alumnus." Mohammad Siddique, a UB graduate who attended the lecture, stated that "it was a very interesting and informative session on contemporary economic issues as they relate to the political arena." Sarah Wilfong, a Business student commented, "it was very good. I learned a lot from listening to his point of view."

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Aloha! What a party!

by Hui Lin Lim

A night of silence turned into an affair to remember. Students who were bogged down by books decided to take a break and enjoy the Indian rendezvous on the night of April 6 at the Student Center. The Indian Dance Party, organized by the Indian Students Association, gathered students from both UB and Sacred Heart University. It attracted students of all cultures to experience the authentic food and traditional music of India.

People started flocking to the event at 8pm with the sole purpose of having fun. The aroma of the hot and spicy Indian food quickly filled up the room and enticed the 90 member crowd to fill up their stomachs. As the night passed by, the DJ started spinning a mixture of Indian and western music, much to the amusement of the diverse crowd. "Shake your body and do the boogie woogie" seemed to be the main idea of the fast paced music. Although it took a while before the crowd started to break the ice, in the end, most of the people started letting go to the beat of the music.

Flyers of "Indian Dance Party" put

around campus certainly did not deter non-Asians from participating. What a difference it was compared to the other alcoholic parties which always cater only to a certain crowd. Over here, the mingling and exchange of ideas between different parts of the world enriched the knowledge and strengthened social ties. "I enjoyed myself tremendously and I hope to see more of such events which cater to different groups of people in the near future," stated a student who was at the event.

Overall, the party was a success, although President Rama K.P. would have loved to see more people. "I was a bit disappointed with the turnout as I expected more people to attend the party. We are having another one in the middle of May and I hope that more people will attend the coming party." So, guys, it is time to write down in your calendar another event of food, fun, and enjoyment!

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SCUBA Talks About Alternative Lifestyle

by Emilia Sherifova

"One of my earliest childhood memories, when I was about four years old, had to do with being attracted to another male," said Pitt Morris, a former UB industrial and interior design student and former UB faculty member, talking about his homosexual experience at the last SCUBA meeting. This time, Scuba was not alone in surprising us. The meeting devoted to the discussion of alternative lifestyles, in general and a homosexual relationship, in particular, was organized in collaboration with Student Development and Student Counselor, Susan Birge.

"The fact that we are living in a diverse community inevitably teaches us open-mindedness. This is the third year at the University that we are having a program on gay issues. And the reason for that is that it is very important to form a community among ourselves and to be open-minded. Part of a process of becoming a community is learning about other people, learning to appreciate and tolerate their differences. Not only tolerate but celebrate the richness of diversity whether it is cultural, or gender or sexual preferences," said Susan Birge, who has just been approved for her doctorate here, on campus.

Pitt Morris and Tom Martin, a gay couple, talked about their gay life in a society geared toward a heterosexual world. For Pitt, the University of Bridgeport was not a great place to be a gay student. "This was a very closed closet kind of place. If you were gay you had to be very quiet about it." Later on, upon his graduation he got out of Bridgeport and went to New York City, where he really lived his life as a gay person. According to Pitt, there are so many more understanding and accepting people and so many more like himself, gay and lesbian. "You can go to places where there are people you can talk to, whom you can understand and make them understand you," he said.

Pitt's companion, Tom, who went to a very conservative mid-West school, had his own story to tell. Tom went through twenty two years of his life hoping that his homosexuality will go away. He thought that it was a phase he was going through. It was not until his family moved to the East coast that he could have a regular gay life. "One of the reasons I wanted to be here tonight," he said, "is that I wanted to tell you about a very unique family and friends situation. I really never had an obstacle to overcome with individuals in my life, in terms of my homosexual orientation. Instead of me coming out of a closet, my parents pulled me out the closet. My parents and relatives love and accept me for what I am." Tom also confessed that it is very hard to speak out after having a secret for so many years. He brother used to call him to say: "I met this really great girl." But Tom could never do that.

Having spoken about their lives, in general, the couple answered particular questions of the audience. One of the questions asked was about the promiscuous lifestyle of some gays. "There are a number of things to be considered when talking about this. One thing is that this one issue that has been drawn on politically to be used against homosexuals. And it's not necessarily rampant any more for us than for anybody else. To put something in perspective though, there may be periods in a lot of gay people's lives when they are more promiscuous, especially after just coming to terms with their sexuality. Because we have to remain so repressed our entire way, when we finally accept who we are, or this thing that is a big part of us, it's like a dam bursting, that we just go a little crazy. When, for instance, in high school straight people are doing their dating experiences for the first time, we are not. So a lot of gay people when they reach their twenties go through a crazy period going out just exploring sexually, because they have not been able to do what normal teenagers were able to do," said Pitt.

"You can't get a real number of how many gay people there are. A true report will never be found until all prejudices and all bans against this are lifted, and until people can finally feel free enough to be honest." ■

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A critic for caribbean resorts.

If you could change something about yourself, what would it be?
Accepting changes.

If you were not here, where would you like to be?
In the Caribbean.

Where do you see yourself a few years from now?
On a sailboat.

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If you are interested in this position, please contact either Professor Tracy Rigia, at 576-4098 or me at 576-4395.

International Festival

UB Celebrates

Weeks even before the festival was announced, people from all over the world got together for a brainstorm to think of the most impressive way to promote their country. The idea of representing their country at its best, made all the participants united, extremely patriotic and very enthusiastic about the event. In fact, just to book the social room for the rehearsals was extremely difficult, especially as the date drew closer.

If you had stepped inside the social room the day before the event, you would have seen countries preparing their booths in a very organized manner, while others were desperately trying to come up with last minute ideas. But everyone who participated in the preparations was equally excited to

by Sharon Loh & Ana Kleshelskaya

"One love, one life... Let's get together and feel alright." Bob Marley knew it before we even invented the UB international festival. "We are the world, we are the children. We are the ones who make a brighter day so let's start living"-that seemed to be the spirit of

made by students from all participating countries was so good that even those who were passing couldn't resist stopping to taste it. In fact, most of the food was gone within the first half hour of the event. Taiwan came out the first place winner in the food contest with Nepal in second place. China did not go empty handed as they won the third place.

The festival continued with a President Richard Rubenstein's speech. He announced that the University of Bridgeport had re-obtained full accreditation. His speech was then followed by a short address by the President of the International Relations Club, Sadeepa Wijeseraja. Before anyone knew it, Monalisa Basu and Franck Ajisege were there to entertain the crowd as the MCs of the evening.

Students, their families, and faculty members walked around admiring the booths that were set up to inform people about different countries. Some were very simple, yet straight to the point, but there

with a very elaborate work of Japanese

seats for everyone as people had to stand



A traditional drum provided the rhythm for Taiwan's performance of the Chinese Dragon Dance

everyone who was there at the University of Bridgeport 20th International Festival. The minute the doors opened at 5 p.m., the queue got as long as it

were several other booths that were set up in a most impressive manner. For example, the third place booth, Malaysia, was set up to project a traditional fruit



Malaysian students bring to life an old legend

could get in Marina Dining Hall on a good day. No wonder, the food that was

stall found back in Malaysia. As for the second place recipient, Japan came up

art that students had been working on since the beginning of the semester.

Lithuania came out as the first place winner in the booth category. In its booth, the students provided information in the abundance about the past, present and future of Lithuania. The booth even had a wide display of items made out of amber which happens to be the national pride of the country.

The performance began with flag bearers of the different countries proudly marching down the aisle, carrying their flags up high and greeting the crowd in their national language. Each time as a flag bearer came up to greet the crowd, he or she received a very enthusiastic response, especially if there were many supporters in the crowd. Later, students dressed in their traditional costumes, came up stage and gave short introductions about the costumes they were wearing.

There then followed performances by several countries that displayed their nation's traditional dance, musical culture and even legends. People in the crowd cheered as loud as they could for their respective countries that took part, and with good grace, also cheered for other countries that did well in their performances. In fact, there were not enough

behind and even sit on the floor right in front of the stage to catch a glimpse of



Participants parade their national costumes



Owolabi Oluwadarae showing off Nigeria's national dress

the marvelous performances.

In the performance, India and Malaysia tied for the first place, while Japan settled for the second place. India performed traditional folk dance which received a warm response from the crowd. Malaysia put on a skit of a legend from the East Coast of Malaysia. As for Japan, the theme of their play was of peace and love towards one's enemy.

The International Festival was a very successful event and, without any doubt,

International Festival

Holidays of the World

the extent that Dawn Valenti had to practically chase all the students out by 12:30 that night. By the next day enthusiasm filled the air, and even those who had intended not to participate, could not resist the temptation of joining at 7:30a.m. on 'The Day.'

Up till 3 o'clock, people were still running around and practically ignoring everyone else, including Campus Security and Dawn Valenti, just to get their act together. The excitement that filled the air grew and grew by the minute, and all that could be said about the happy and productive atmosphere was that NO ONE could wait for evening to come.

the most successful event held in UB so unity and happiness with no political



Korea fired up the enthusiasm of the crowd with riveting drum rhythms

far. Never was there so much of group participation and overall involvement in



China's next rising star?

the school. The money which the International Relations Club received from the ticket sales not only covered the expenses of the whole event, but also left them with a sizable profit.

Millions of pictures were taken, and if one had not known better, one would have thought a press conference was taking place. Students were happy to dress up in their traditional costumes and proudly parade themselves across the room that night. There was a feeling of

grudges or any hard feelings. It was an event in which the possibility for all members of the world community to come together in peace and harmony was once more reaffirmed.

The colorful and eventful four-and-a-half hours did not mark the end of the night, as Monalisa and Franck announced: "If you can dance, please hang on for the after party. If you can't, hang on a n y w a y . . ." Impressively, most of the people actually stayed for the after-party that went on till midnight.

The event could almost be portrayed as the last opportunity to get a place secured in the world's history, and one could probably be blinded by all the camera flashes going off here and there

right after the main festival. Group pictures were taken on the stage for the three winning countries of the performance category: India, Malaysia and Japan, as well as for any other participating country that felt the urge to do so.

After a little socializing and the clean up procedure, the party started off with an enthusiastic performance by Pakistan. It seemed the patriotic song, presented during the festival, received even more cheers and support, as a whole crowd of

people from all over the world got on the stage, dancing, singing and proudly waving their country's flag. This was shortly followed by the repetition of the dance, performed by India. However, this time it seemed to have a lot more volunteer participants dancing with the crowd of girls.

And the party started. It was not the DJ who made everyone hang out and stay. In fact, the DJ seemed to be a little lost under the wide range of demands for songs from all over the world. But it was the spirit, the pride and the enthusiasm that remained inside everyone. Unlike any other UB dance party, this had the widest range of songs from all over the world: Korea, India, Malaysia, and many others. The only American CD that was played was a collection of old Madonna songs, which was greeted with a lot of excitement from the crowd dancing on the stage, as well as those dancing on the floor. All other songs had an interchangeable

response. However, no one seemed to be too disturbed with the indecisive

with the songs. Cleaning up was the hard part of the event, and few people actually stayed behind to help Dawn Valenti afterwards.

Happy and extremely enthusiastic, the crowd hit back to Bodine Hall to celebrate the victory and the mere fact that it was Saturday night. Many people expressed their opinion that the event



The audience enjoyed Lithuania's dance as much as the dancers themselves

was a great success, as it got together so many people in one combined effort --



The largest cast of the day - Japan's play on peace and understanding

Campus Security that kept switching the lights "on" and "off," or the unprofessional delays in-between the songs. None of this mattered, as everyone was having a good time slam dancing away

the true sense of cultural diversity. So if you missed everything, hang around till next year.

Literary

Mental Edge

Huge hands broke the window into a thousand tiny pieces. Hands that could never reach me. The glass though cut a hundred wounds into my skin. I waited all excited to see the blood dripping—there had to be some proof that there still was some blood in me. But it didn't matter for how long I waited: there wasn't any blood coming out. Maybe it's because you really can't see any colors when you've reached a mental edge. Or maybe it's because blood dilutes so easily into water—or even better stated, blood can so easily turn to water.

DISTEMPER X

Open the book of your anger
Turn to page thirty five.

Do you see the picture expressing fear and anger?
It's a distemper painting of your dreamy sights.
You used to color the sidewalks with sun illustrations.
Hoping the sun would shine.
But the muddy rain and the nasty dogs
Deteriorate your hopes for light.

Open the book of your hatred.
Turn to page ten.

Do you see prints smudged out with dark earth tones?
It's scrap sketch of the animosity inside your head.
You used to plant seeds by the sidewalk.
Hoping lilies would grow.
But the dark asphalt covered the seeds
And the pedestrians stepped on and on
Until all the roots got lost and turned into mold.

Open the book of your fear.
Turn to page fifty five.

Do you see a blurry image of a child waiting
On the sidewalk with anticipation in his eyes?
It's an out of focus photograph of your scary mind.
Once you hoped the yellow wagon
Would take you somewhere you could learn how to live life.
But the masters of knowledge destroyed every hope you had
That living would be an intellectual journey in time.

-Denise G. Monteiro

One day I will be reborn.
And all the bad I've done,
Of thought of doing,
Will turn into my
Greatest accomplishments
And thoughts of wonder
I will be revered by my peers,
And envied by my Nemesis.
I will be worshiped by my family,
I will be worshiped by my friends.
I will be able to live the life,
Where I would eat from, and dream of
The sweet fruit of existence.
But wait!
What if a life of this magnitude were
mine?
Would I reap reward or
Would I be suffering from such an
endeavor?
Or maybe, even to think so selfishly,
Is to be miserable forever?
I should be happy with what I have,
And thank the Lord for having me alive.
But the funny thing is,
I don't feel that way.
I guess the mistakes that I have made,
Are equivalent to my, sometimes flawless
Attributes—but in their arrivals
They come so differently. You see,
The bad constantly outweighs the good.
My fairy tale ending is to
live a long and prosperous life,
Even though I can't figure out
"Why?"
Because with every day that I live,
A little bit of me dies.
This is my saga

-M.B.

The Tan Water Incident

by Brandy Devoid

Dear Professor Sticklen,

I cannot, by any mortal means, have your twenty page essay, on the function of wallflowers in society, by this afternoon. I could say that I lost it, or my dog ate it but that would be a typical excuse and I said that to Miss Hobart last week. If my mother had died I would tell you I'm grieving. But to tell you the honest to goodness truth, I've recently been searching the wallflower way of life and have been so emotionally scarred that I cannot come out of my house.

Regretfully Yours,

John Stuart

Dear Mr. Stuart,

I've recently received your letter concerning the wallflower assignment and find you make yourself out to be a pathological liar who takes everyone for an idiot. If you were the hermit that said you were, how did you:

1. mail the letter without venturing from your hermit world?
2. make it to class yesterday?
3. joyously dance with all the girls at the Spring Dance last night?
4. even have the nerve to write a letter, if you were so "emotionally scarred" from being such a "wallflower?"

It is no sympathy on my part to give you an F as a final grade in English 112 this semester.

Sincerely,
Prof. Sticklen, Ph.D.

PS If you are going to create such falsity any time in the future, make sure you have fewer pores than Swiss cheese between wheat bread.

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by Amy Prodromou

Arts & Entertainment

So I bet you're as sick of winter as I am. Well, it looks like we only got a few weeks till spring, and all those big outdoor concerts. Word has it that Metallica is headlining lollapalooza with Soundgarden, The Ramones (I knew it wasn't their last tour!) and Rancid or The Clash (I don't know if there're Rancid or The Clash). This plans on being the biggest to date. Also, the Houdou tour will return with Blues traveler, Joan Osborne, the Black Crows and many other hick bands that have no teeth and play the banjo with their feet, and sleep with their cousins. Well enough, with spring come new releases, and here they are.

New CDs

THE BAND:

STONE TEMPLE PILOTS

THE DISC:

"TINY MUSIC, SONGS FROM THE VATICAN GIFT SHOP"

It's been about two years since STP released the multi-platinum selling "Purple." Since then the band almost fired singer Scot Wieland for having heroine problems. "Instead the band took time to regroup and become friends again, and get Wieland the help he needed," says bassist Robert DeLeo, in the band's latest press release. This is how we now got "Tiny Music..." This disc is full of all sorts of 60's and 70's influence, yet still holds a lot of originality. Stand-out tracks include: "Lady picture Show," a very beatlesque sounding tune with a very Jimmy page sounding guitar solo; "Big Bang Baby," with its driving guitar riffs and airy vocals; and "Seven Caged Tigers." This whole record has a very mellow vibe. STP has definitely gone in a very different direction than I expected them to go. I would like to say this record is great, but I think it falls more into the category of just good. But don't let that stop you from buying it. This is a hundred times better than most of the shit record companies are putting out. I just wish STP would have ventured out of heavier songs on this disc too. All and all, after seeing them live a

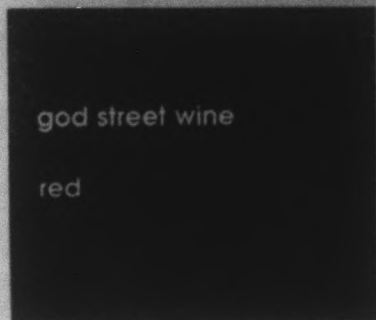
couple of years ago, I can't wait for the "Tiny Music Tour." I'm sure it will be just as good as the "Purple" tour.

THE BAND:

GOD STREET WINE

THE DISC:

"RED"



God Street Wine has been a popular attraction around the club scene for about five years now. Critics have hailed them as the next Grateful Dead, and rumor has it that their record company dumped a ton of money into their tour when Garcia died. Although I'm not a big fan of this kind of music, I have to say that there is definitely a cool vibe on this record. Production on "Red" is very basic, and there is a very live sound to the disc. It's almost scary how close a sound they have to the Dead at times, but they still hold a good quantity of originality. This disc is great for Dead head fan's, but it gets a little too repetitive for the

every day diverse listener.

THE BAND:

STABBING WESTWARD

THE DISC:

WITHER BLISTER BURN AND PEEL



I first heard of Stabbing Westward when they were on the now defunct John Stewart show. I thought that the band was good and held some promise. "Wither Blister Burn and Peel" has definitely changed my mind. The disc is a bad version of Nine Inch Nails' last album. Vocalist Chris Hall sounds exactly like Trent Reznor, and all the arrangements and guitars follow suit. Columbia records should be embarrassed to distribute such a product. There is no originality here, just a bunch of very obvious rip offs. If you want to hear what Stabbing Westward sounds like, go out and buy a Nine Inch Nails record. At least it won't be a waste of \$11.98.

Movies

TITLE:

SGT. BILKO

STARS:

STEVE MARTIN, DAN AKROYD, PHIL HARTMAN

RATED: PG

★

Steven Martin has done it; he has committed motion picture suicide. This movie is absolutely stupid. Martin is too old and has much more talent than this role warrants. This film and role more likely fits recent Saturday night live front man turned film star Adam Sandler, with his sidekick Chris Farley, not the SNL cast of Akroyd and Martin from 20 years ago.

If you're looking to bring your little brother or sister to the

movies, that is the only thing that this movie is good for. With a PG rating, at least it's not bad and dirty although it does contain mild profanity. I strongly suggest that people sit this one out. I saw it and suffered enough for everyone.

TITLE:

EXECUTIVE DECISION

STARS:

KURT RUSSELL AND STEVEN SEGAL

RATED: R

★☆☆

If you have seen any of the Die Hard Movies and any of Segal's other films, combine them and you've just seen Executive Decision. This is the classic bomb-on-a-plane, everything-goes-wrong film with filthy language and unneeded violence.

The story goes: a 747 is hijacked by terrorists that want to

land the plane in Washington DC and set off a nerve gas bomb that will kill everyone on the east coast. Guess what! They are unsuccessful.

Russell and Segal walk through their one dimensional roles as leaders of the rescue mission. If you are looking for a sad action film, here it is. This film seems like it was written by a 13 year-old who didn't take his ridilin. It just keeps dragging on. This is probably why the movie only earned 1 and 1/2 stars.

TITLE:

DIABOLIQUE

STARS:

CHAZZ PALMITERI, SHARON STONE, KATHY BATES

RATED: R

★☆☆

This film is a poor remake of the 1955 French Classic. The mis-

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trass (Stone) and wife (Isabelle Adjani) of a man (Palmiteri) team up to murder him. But their plot begins to falter when, after successfully killing him, his body disappears mysteriously.

The first half of the film is pretty close to the original in plot but a horrible second half is what kills it. Kathy Bates plays a meaningless role as the investigator on the murder case.

This film contains violence and profanity and, of course, Sharon Stone, so there is nudity. Your best bet with this movie is to wait till you can make it a Block Buster night.

The two great actors, Palmiteri and Bates, are pretty much just there as their roles do not fit them too well. Sum-total of the above the film only received 1 and 1/2 stars.

Sports

Softball - A Slow Start

by Kristi Colatosti

The UB softball team has had a slow start to season. The team has a record of 2-8 so far with a long road ahead of it. To start off, the team lost two straight games to Quinnipiac College. They played a few bad innings and lost with scores of 12-2 and 10-2. They then bounced back to beat Albany State with scores of 3-1 and 1-0.

Despite the slow start a few players stood out. Marcia Palmeter has done a great job on the mound with an ERA of only 2.24. She has definitely given all she has

to the team. Andrea Tetreault (.364) has lead the team in hitting, and not far behind is Shannon Paternoster (.333). Jill Colcone has also been swinging well, hitting two home runs so far this season.

Coach Leibrock had only one comment, "I think we know we are very capable. If our hitting comes together and Marcia keeps up we can do it."

ROSTER

Softball

No.	Name	Year	Position
2	Cindy Ackerman	So.	L
11	Kristi Colatosti	Fr.	C
6	Jill Colcone	Jr.	CF
22	Lauren Geerdts	So.	CF
15	Jessica Lujick	Fr.	3B
1	Mariene Morrison	Sr.	OF
23	Marcia Palmeter	So.	RHP
4	Shannon Paternoster	Jr.	SS
9	Andrea Tetreault	Jr.	2B
50	Jennifer Voight	Jr.	1B



ScoreBoard

Softball

Mar. 27 Quinnipiac	L 12-2
Mar. 27 Quinnipiac	L 10-2
Mar. 30 Albany	W 3-1
Mar. 30 Albany	W 1-0
Apr. 1 C.W. Post	L 15-0
Apr. 1 C.W. Post	L 9-4
Apr. 3 New Haven	L 3-0
Apr. 3 New Haven	L 5-0
Apr. 5 Southampton	L 8-0
Apr. 5 Southampton	L 4-2
Apr. 6 Franklin Pierce	W 4-2
Apr. 6 Franklin Pierce	W 5-4

Baseball Season In Full Swing

by John Margiotta

The University of Bridgeport men's baseball season is now in full swing, as the Purple Knights continue to show great improvement. With a sophomore dominated 11 man roster the Purple Knights stand at 5-5 after Thursday's thrilling 4-3 win against Albertus Magnus.

The Purple Knights were hitting the baseball offensively all over Seaside Park with a team batting average of .283.

So far, sophomore second baseman BJ Gatchalkin (.387, 12 hits) leads the team in hitting. Also, sophomore third baseman Mondre Credle is batting (.370, 10 hits). Senior catcher Chris Beauchesne is batting (.324, 11 hits) and sophomore shortstop Kevin

Gaber (.300, 12 hits, 10 RBI's). Huber leads the team with 10 RBI's.

Senior pitcher Jim Pionlik leads the pitching staff with a (2.22 ERA) with a record of 2-2. Junior Mike Contentini who is plagued by injuries is pitching like a "Bulldog" with 2 victories and 2 losses. Doug Bogavich our sophomore newcomer to the team stands at 1-1. Sophomore Kevin Huber our fireballer out of the bullpen has recorded two scores for the Purple Knights.

Bridgeport still has a long road ahead of it. The team has five games this week and six games next week. The Purple Knights play on Saturday April 6th, a conference game against Franklin Pierce at home. Next week, on Monday 8th, they play Malloy

ROSTER

Baseball

No.	Name	Year	Position
38	Chris Beauchesne	Sr.	C/OF
11	Michael Costantini	Jr.	P/1B
7	John Margiotta	Jr.	OF
5	Kevin Huber	So.	SS/3B
21	Brian Batholomew	So.	P/Inf
1	Timmy Young	So.	OF
14	Mondre Credle	So.	Inf
6	Michael Bilica	So.	OF
10	Douglas Bogovich	So.	OF/P
23	John Langer	Sr.	OF
44	Jim Piontek	Sr.	P/Inf

College at home and Wednesday 10th a double-dip against arch-rival Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, another huge conference game.

The Purple Knights need all your support, so come cheer on this "power pack" ballclub.



ScoreBoard

Baseball

Mar. 17 Gallaudet	W 24-1
Mar. 17 Gallaudet	W 10-2
Mar. 24 Assumption	L 5-12
Mar. 24 Assumption	W 5-3
Mar. 28 Teikyo Post	W 12-8
Mar. 30 Albany	L 1-6
Mar. 30 Albany	L 3-14
Apr. 3 New Haven	L 0-12
Apr. 3 New Haven	L 0-7
Apr. 4 Albertus Magnus	W 4-3
Apr. 6 Franklin Pierce	L 1-14
Apr. 6 Franklin Pierce	L 2-15

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